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Gandhi and King

1. What was Gandhi’s principal argument against active violent resistance to injustice? Is this argument a logical, ethical, or emotional appeal? Explain.
2. Near the end of the paragraph on page 279, many sentence balance a government action with the resister’s response. How does the parallel structure of these sentences add to the persuasive effect of the speech?
3. According to Gandhi, how do strong people counter injustice? What happens to them in the process?
4. Look at King’s second paragraph on page 281. Are the questions in this paragraph rhetorical? For each, explain why or why not.
5. Read King’s final sentence on page 282. Does the sentence appeal to the readers’ reason, emotions, or ethics? Why?
6. According to King, what must you accept if you engage in an act of civil disobedience?
7. Write an essay comparing and contrasting King and Gandhi.

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